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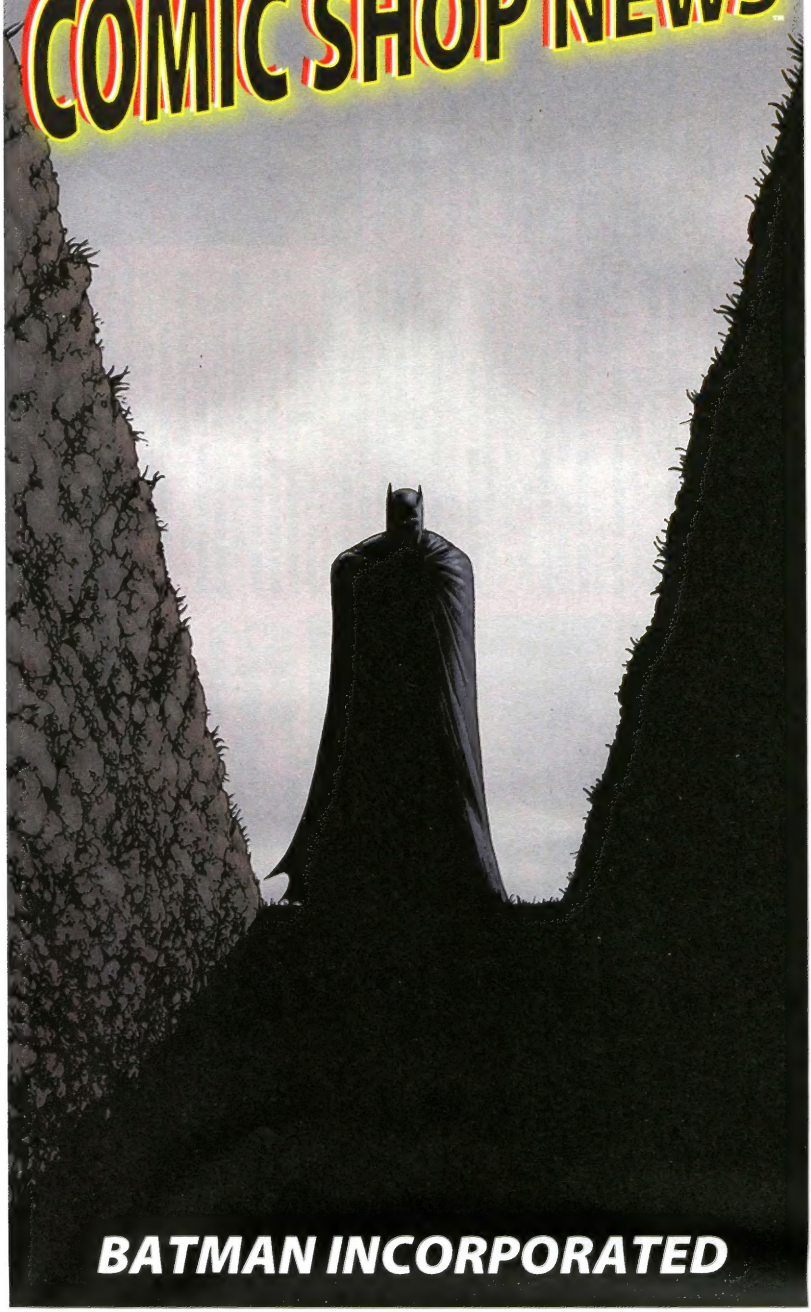

BATMAN INCORPORATED

Morrison on Death and Damian

Almost every reader of DC's Batman family of titles was sure that a major character would fall in "The Death of the Family." Hardly anyone suspected that a character would fall in battle in the one Bat-family book that had no links to "A Death of the Family." But that was just what happened last month when *Grant Morrison & Chris Burnham* chronicled Damian Wayne's demise in ***Batman, Incorporated #8.***

In an essay shared through DC Comics' blog site, Morrison explained some of the background of this story. "Little did I suspect when I accepted the ***Batman*** writing assignment back in 2006 that I'd wind up spending the next six years writing the longest continued comic story I've ever attempted. I thought I'd said most of what I had to say about the character with ***Arkham Asylum, Gothic***, and Batman's appearances in ***JLA***. Clearly, I was wrong.

"The original pitch was for 15 issues winding up with ***Batman R.I.P.*** but something happened along the way and, as I was researching his rich history, I became fascinated by the idea that every Batman story was in some way true and biographical - from the savage, young, pulp-flavored 'weird figure of the dark' of his early years, through the smiling, paternal figure of the 1940s and the proto-psychedelic crusader of the '50s, the superhero detective of the '60s, the hairy-chested globetrotting adventurer of the '70s, to the brutally physical vigilante of the '80s and snarling, paranoid soldier of the '90s.

"By taking his entire publishing history as the story of his life, I was able to approach Batman from a different angle and the multifaceted character that was revealed became the subject of my story.

"What would such a man be like, realistically? This was a man who had saved countless lives, faced innumerable perils, and even prevented the destruction of the world itself. This was a master of martial arts, meditation, deduction, yoga, and big business. This was a man who had tamed and mastered his demons and turned personal tragedy into a relentless humanitarian crusade.

"Taking that man seriously meant I had to throw out a few of the accepted ideas about Batman as a semi-unhinged, essentially humorless loner struggling with rage and guilt. The totality of his history and accomplishments made that portrayal seem limited and unconvincing, so instead, my Batman was a true superhero at the height of his powers and the peak of his abilities, surrounded by a network of friends and associates, all of whom had been inspired by his lead.

"I chose to build my story around the basic trauma, the murder of his parents, that lies at the heart of Batman's genesis. It seemed to me there would be a part of Bruce Wayne that resented his parents for leaving him and especially resented his father for not being Batman that night, so the principal villains were an archetypal bad father figure in the form of Dr. Hurt and a dark mother in the form of Talia, our villain for the concluding chapters of the story.

"This master theme of damaged and ruined families was nowhere more in evidence than in the creation of Damian, the first 'Son of Batman' to be acknowledged in the canon. In many ways, this has been Damian's story as much as it has been the story of Bruce Wayne and it's a story that had its end planned a long time ago - for what son could ever hope to replace a father like Batman, who never dies?

"And so, via ***Batman, Batman and Robin, Return of Bruce Wayne***, and ***Batman Inc.*** this epic tale has finally reached its finale...

"The conclusion is finally here, with only four more issues to go. Four issues which take Batman to dark places he has never had to visit before. Four issues and I'm done, while Batman himself continues into as yet unimagined future adventures. He'll still be here long after I'm dead and forgotten; long after all of us have come and gone, there will be Batman. It's been a joy and a privilege to spend so much time in the company of pop culture's greatest character but it's going to feel weird waking up and not having Bruce Wayne's calm, commanding, ever-so-slightly cynical voice in my head..."

And it's going to be even weirder for fans of Morrison and Batman, who have followed the character's amazing odyssey under Morrison's direction. Some dismissed ***Batman, Incorporated*** as a book that seemed to exist almost outside of the New 52 world—but with the startling events of ***Batman, Incorporated #8***, there's no doubt that Morrison's book remains at the center of the Batman family of titles.

Four more issues of ***Batman Incorporated*** until Morrison's run reaches its planned conclusion. What does he have in store for the final chapters of his long-running Batman saga? Trust us—you're not going to want to miss it! The finale begins with the release of ***Batman Incorporated #9*** on March 27th.

by Cliff Biggers

JMS & Joe's Comics' (Ten) Grand Return

More than a decade ago *J. Michael Straczynski* soared into the stratosphere of comic book stardom with two acclaimed series, ***Rising Stars*** and ***Midnight Nation,*** both published through Image Comics under Straczynski's Joe's Comics imprint.

Since then, Straczynski has gone on to become a comics superstar at both Marvel and DC, producing best-selling runs on ***Thor, Amazing Spider-Man, Superman,*** and various ***Before Watchmen*** titles, as well as the mega-selling ***Superman: Earth One*** original graphic novels. But his phenomenal success writing comics based on *other* people's creations never replaced his desire to produce comics based on his *own* original concepts.

Which is why Joe's Comics is returning to comic shops this spring, published once again by Image Comics. The line will launch with the original series ***Ten Grand,*** which will be the first in a series of new titles from Joe's Comics scheduled for release throughout the year.

Image Comics' *Jennifer de Guzman* described the premise of the series: "Joe Fitzgerald was a mob enforcer until the day he met Laura, who convinced him to leave that world behind. Before quitting, Joe agrees to one last job, little realizing that the man he's been sent to kill was deeply involved in demonology. He survives Joe's attempt and comes after him, fatally wounding Joe and killing Laura.

"As he lies dying, an angelic force promises that if Joel agrees to work for them as a different kind of enforcer, they will bring him to life and keep on bringing him to life every time he is killed in a righteous cause. The reward: for those five minutes of death, he will be with Laura again. Would you endure an eternity of pain and death, dying over and over, to be with the woman you love for just five minutes each time you died? Most people might say no. But Joe Fitzgerald isn't most people."

"The temptation to bring back Joe's Comics has been very powerful over the last few years," Straczynski explained, "but I really wanted to wait until I had a collection of stories that I absolutely had to tell—that, like ***Midnight Nation,*** wouldn't let me go until they were told. Stories that could be dark, funny, deeply personal but also played out on a large stage in terms of action. As those started to show up over the last few years—often in the middle of the night, which is why Joe's Comics bears the slugline 'where it's always five minute to midnight' – I began to pull them together until I felt I had what I needed, and made the deal with Image to move forward."

Ten Grand will be illustrated by award-winning artist *Ben Templesmith,* best known for his work on ***30 Days of Night, Fell, Wormwood: Gentleman Corpse, Dead Space, Groom Lake,*** and ***Choker.*** "How could I say no to working with the guy that created ***Babylon 5,*** that fairly well shaped how I think about science fiction and long form TV?" Templesmith said. "It was an honor to be asked and I can but hope to rise to the occasion."

"Watching this project come together with JMS and Ben has been thrilling," said *Patricia Tallman,* CEO of Studio JMS, parent company of Joe's Comics. "The ideas and concepts flying between them are so edgy and awesome, I can't wait to share them with fans everywhere. Hang on, you're in for one hell of a ride!"

"Whenever someone suggests a small way to do something, Joe comes back with 'Why don't we do it bigger?' Bigger? In an age of figuring how to get something for nothing, Joe is pushing himself and his work to the cutting edge," Joe's Comics production editor *Phil Smith* explained. "Tapping not just the best creators but the right creators to express, not just his ideas, but their artistic ideas through his name branded line of books, will, again, set a new standard in the world of creator-owned works."

Straczynski is aware that delays an interruptions in some of his earlier projects, such as ***Rising Stars*** and ***Superman,*** might leave some readers concerned about whether ***Ten Grand*** and other titles from Joe's Comics could maintain their regular schedule. "The most important thing we would do with this launch was, and is, to ensure that the issues hit retailers on schedule,"

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Straczynski said. "So we started early, stockpiling scripts and art. We had our first lettered, finished issue last November, for a book that wouldn't be coming out until May." The book will develop its story in twelve-issue arcs, with a brief two to three month interlude between each arc to allow the team to work ahead on the next arc.

While the creative talent ensures that ***Ten Grand*** will be a quality comic, Straczynski wanted to offer something even better—a truly innovative comic book experience. What he and the Joe's Comics team have created is just that: a comic book with its own complementary audio track. The first issue will include a QR code that will take readers to an audio performance of the book's dialogue by some of the top voice actors in the business, including ***Babylon 5*** alumnus *Robin Atkin Downes, Yuri Lowenthal,* and *Tara Platt.*

"We wanted to give readers an option of reading the book in the usual way, or sitting back to listen to the parts being performed while enjoying Ben's amazing artwork," Straczynski said. "We're very happy with how the first staged reading worked out, and if there's enough demand, we may do more of these in the future."

Ten Grand #1, a $2.99 comic, is scheduled for May 1st release; the book will be offered with a standard cover by *Ben Templesmith* as well as a variant cover by *Bill Sienkiewicz.* This is the first of four series in the works from Joe's Comics: the second series, ***Sidekick,*** will follow later in the summer, while ***Alone*** and ***Protectors, Inc.*** will premiere in the fall.

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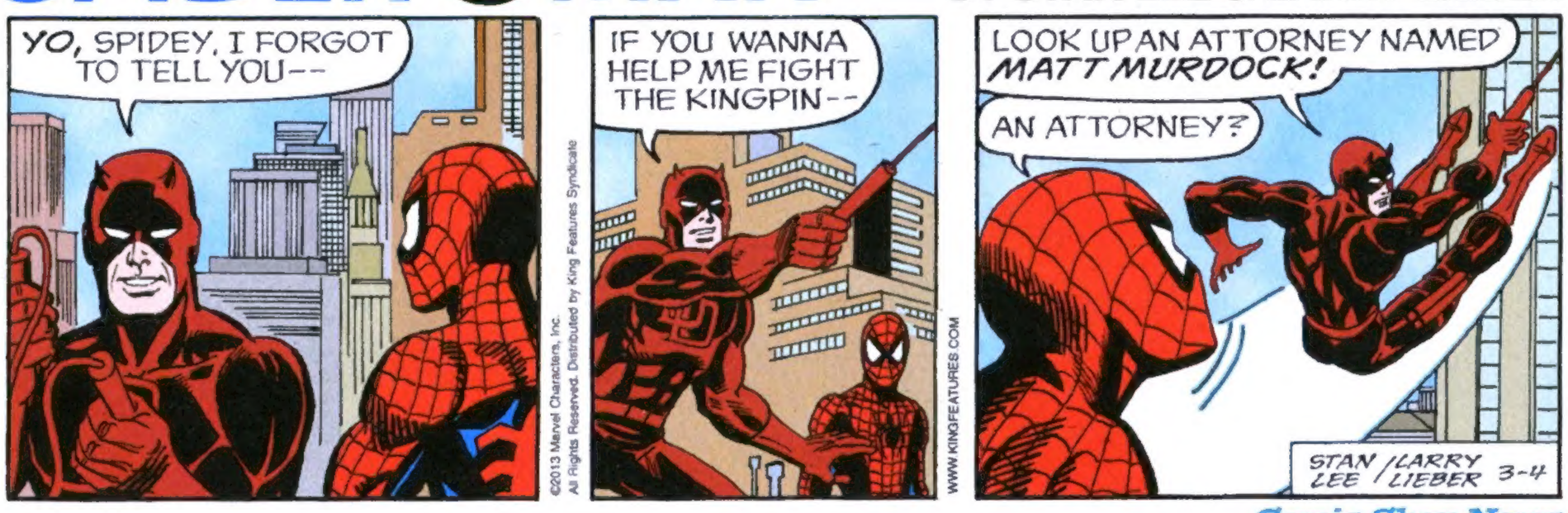
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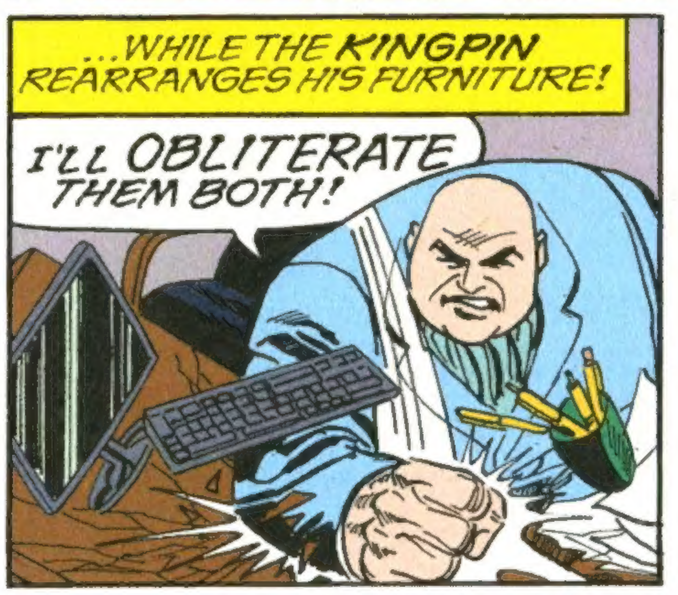

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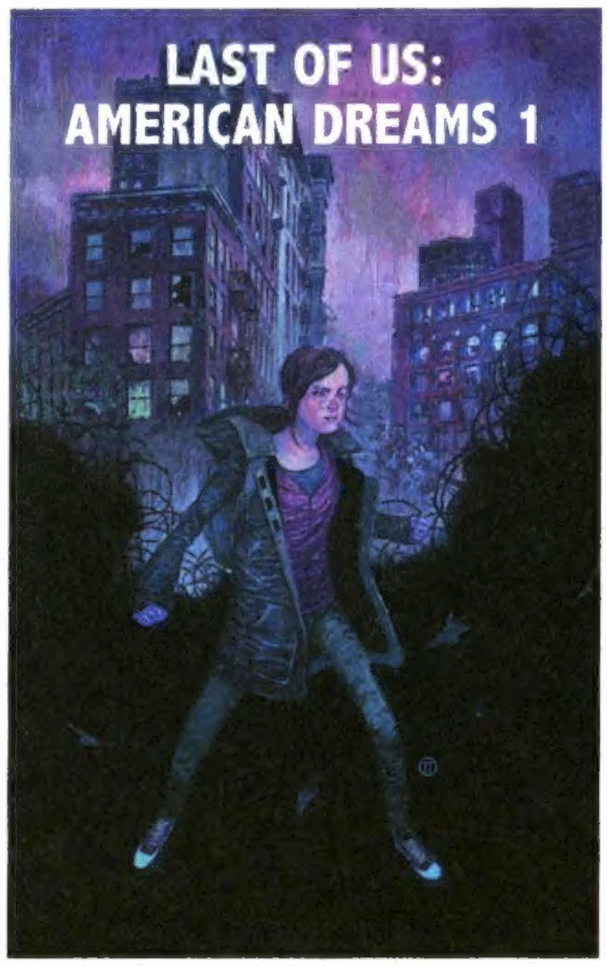

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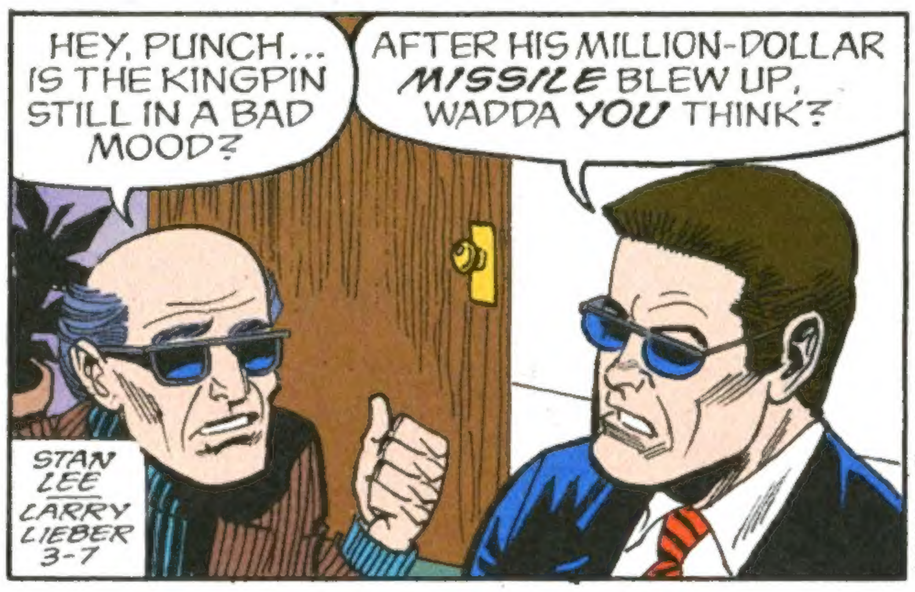
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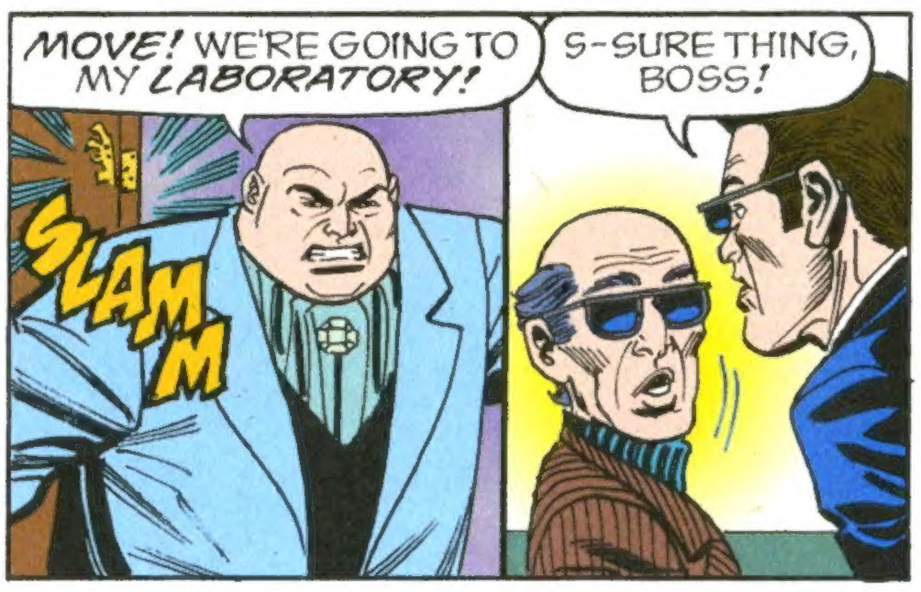
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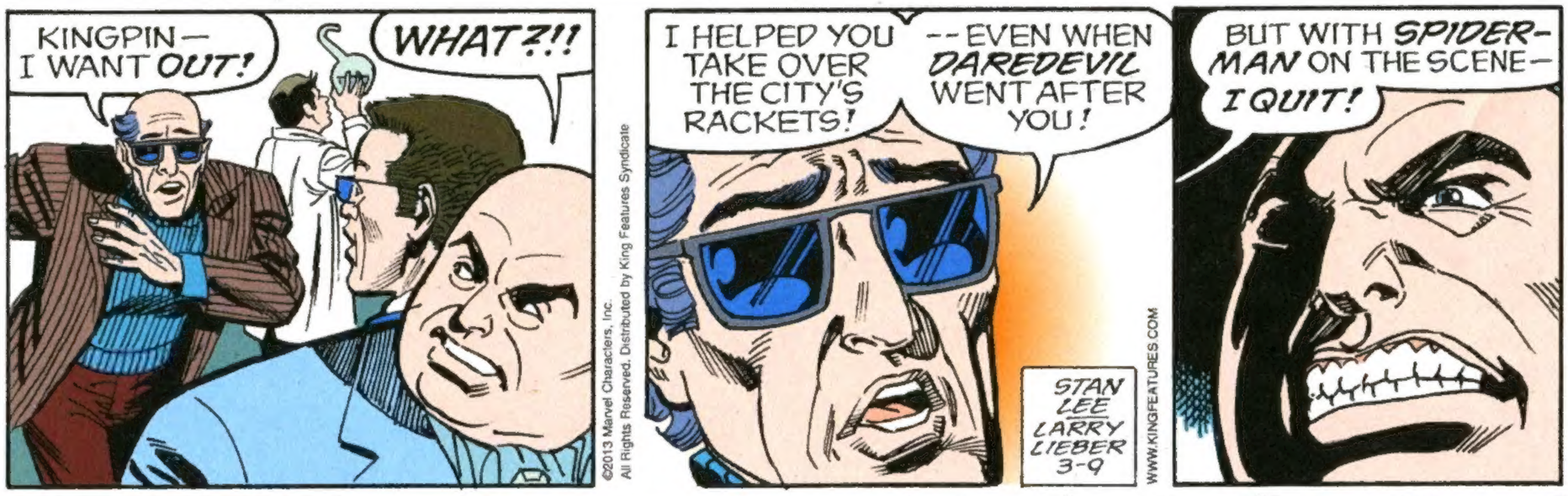
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